tions and from the neighbouring systems in the Eastern Region and the Northern Grid whenever systems conditions are conducive to such transfer, the power supply to the various districts of Bihar is given from the distribution system of the state and falls within the purview of the Bihar state Government/Bihar state Electricity Board.

[English]

New Telephone connections in Tiruppur, Tamii Nadu.

1723. SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications pending with the government for release of new telephone connections in Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu;
 and
- (b) the time by which telephone connections are likely to be provided?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The number of application pending for Telephone connections in Tiruppur (Tamil Nadu) as on 31.10.91 are 9248.

(b) As per draft 8th plan proposals expansion programmes are being drawn with an objective to provide telephone connections with waiting period not to exceed 2 years for large systems. Accordingly, telephone connections to persons in waiting list in Tiruppur will be provided progressively be the middle of 8th Plan.

OYT connections in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.

1724. SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications pending for the release of OYT connections in coimbatore. Tamil Nadu; and
- (b) the time by which these are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RAN-GAYYA NAIDU): (a) The number of applications for the OYT connections pending in Coimbatore (TN) as on 31.10.91 are 2465.

(b) As per draft 8th Plan proposals, expansion programmes are being drawn with an objective to provide telephone connections with waiting period not to exceed 2 years in large systems. Accordingly these pending applications will be cleared progressively by the middle of 8th Plan.

Setting up relay Centres in towns of Pali district, Rajasthan

1725. SHRI GUMAN MAL LODHA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROAD-CASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to set a T.V. relay station at Bali, Desuri, Phalna, Sumerpur, Jaitaran, Sojat, Ranipur, Marwar Jn. and other important towns of the Pali district of Rajaesthan;
- (b) if so, the plan drawn up to cover the entire Pali district by TV relay; and
- (c) the time by which the plan is likely to be implemented?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRYOF INFORMATION AD BROAD-CASTING (KUMAR GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Whereas a low power TV transmitter is at present functioning at Pali, the headquarter town, parts of the district are